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VICTORY AND DEFEAT

Extent of the Recent Fighting in Macedonia.

ALL HOSTILITIES WILL CEASE.

The Ethnik Hetairia Will Make No Further Advances Unless They Are Sustained by the Greek Regulars—An Outbreak of War Is Inevitable—Reports of a Battle Raging on the Frontier.

LARISSA, April 17.—Severe fighting has occurred in Macedonia between the Greek irregulars and Turkish forces. The column of irregulars sent to the right from Pigavitz, after having invested and captured Sitovon, continued its advance toward Kritudes, Plisia and Kourdazi, with orders to hold Kourdazi at all costs, as it commands the right approach to Grevena, the objective point. This column, commanded by Chiefs Zernos and Lazzo, attacked Kritudes on Tuesday. The place was defended by two companies of Turks. After a severe fight, during which 80 Turks were killed and 25 were taken prisoners, the position was captured by the Greeks, who also obtained possession of 150 rifles and a quantity of cartridges.

The insurgents, however, have suffered a severe check in another direction. A strong force of Turkish troops from Mecovon, with a number of mountain guns, advanced on Krania, which had previously been captured by the Greeks, and attacked the 400 irregulars of Greece, who occupied an entrenched position. It is reported that the fighting was ferocious on both sides. The insurgents, eventually, were compelled to retreat north to the mountains. Some of them, however, succeeded in breaking through the Turkish lines and escaped to Balfino, the town just across the frontier, in Macedonia, first captured by the Greek irregulars and used by them as a depot for provisions and ammunition. The accounts given by the refugees of the Turkish losses are believed to be exaggerated. They say that 265 Turks were killed, while the irregulars only had eight men killed and 17 wounded.

The leader of the Greeks operating in that direction, Chief Milonas, was among the wounded and returned later into Greek territory with a number of the refugees. One of the latter says that a portion of the Turkish force was composed of irregulars, whose dress resembles that of the Greek insurgents. This, it appears, enabled the Turkish force to execute a flank movement unheeded by the leaders of the Greeks. The refugee referred to blames the Greek leaders for badly handling their men. All the refugees bore traces of having experienced great fatigue and it is reported that the Ethnik Hetairia, or National league, has ordered the Greek irregulars to retreat into Greek territory, regarding further bloodshed useless unless the regular army of Greece supports the irregulars.

The crown princess has arrived here to take part in the work of the ambulance corps. It is thought probable that Prince Constantine, the crown prince and commander-in-chief of the Greek forces, will shortly move his headquarters to a more central position near Zarkos.

MUTINEERS PUNISHED.

Some of Them Sent Home While Others Are Exiled.

SALONICA, April 17.—Edhem Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief, has sent home from the frontier the Albanian gendarmes corps, enrolled at Monastir, which revolted. The mutineers have been disarmed by the vali of Monastir and imprisoned. Forty-five of the leaders have been sent here on the way to exile in Yemen, Arabia.

Chief Broufas, who was the soul of the Macedonian rising last year and upon whose head Turkey set a price of 2,000 francs, and who was supposed to be dead, has reappeared. He is now organizing an invasion of the Chalcidike peninsula with a view of diverting the Turkish army from Macedonia. He has assembled 2,200 members of the Ethnik Hetairia from Chalkis, Rumeli, Athens and Volo and embarked them on a couple of steamers which were to leave the Gulf of Volo on Wednesday, last, for the coast of Chalcidike, there to raise an insurrection.

A Turk, who was posing as the correspondent of the Journal de St. Petersburg, has been arrested here as a spy.

Another fight is reported across the frontier. It is said that the Turks lost 60 killed and a small number of prisoners.

A Turkish corporal and eight soldiers who had been captured by the invaders, have arrived at Ergasteria, to which point they were sent by the order of the Crown Prince Constantine, where they were released after being disarmed. The appearance of the Turks has excited great curiosity, but they have not been molested. There are 30 other Turkish prisoners still remaining at Volo.

WAR INEVITABLE.

Views of the London Times' Larissa Correspondent.

LONDON, April 17.—The Larissa correspondent of The Times says: Every one here continues to declare that an outbreak of war is inevitable within the next two or three days, especially as it is now known that in high quarters at Athens a peaceful solution of the difficulty is regarded as almost hopeless.

The authorities here are seriously counting the cost of embarking in such a struggle, but other influences are urging them on. Meanwhile it is perfectly certain that the irregulars unless re-

strained, will again invade Macedonia in order to compel the porte to declare war.

Turks Cross the Greek Frontier.

LONDON, April 17.—The Daily Chronicle's war correspondent at Kalamaqua says it is rumored there that a number of Turkish irregulars have crossed the Greek frontier and occupied the deserted frontier village of Mandrachotza, north of the Pindus mountains. Greek regulars were sent to that point from Kalamaqua last night.

Another Engagement on the Frontier.

ATHENS, April 17.—A dispatch from Larissa, the headquarters of the Greek army in Thessaly, says that an engagement has taken place near Nezeros, on the frontier, in which artillery participated. The dispatch gives no details.

CASHIER KILLED.

A New Hampshire Bank Robbed of About \$6,000 by Two Men.

SOMERSWORTH, N. H., April 17.—While resisting the entry of two desperate and determined robbers, and during a heroic but futile struggle to protect \$150,000 or more in money and securities in the compartments of the open vault of the Great Falls National bank of Somersworth, yesterday afternoon, Cashier Joseph A. Stickney was struck down and brutally murdered near the desk which he had occupied for years. After killing Stickney the murderers ransacked the vault and fled with all the cash it contained, with the exception of a \$5 gold piece.

As near as can be estimated about \$6,000 was taken, but it is possible that the loss will considerably exceed this sum, as no one but the dead cashier knew the exact amount that was in the institution at the time. The robbers, after knocking Stickney down with a blackjack, cut his throat. The most remarkable feature of the robbery is the fact that \$100,000 in bonds of the United States, which were kept in one of the drawers of the big vault, and which the robbers evidently examined hastily, were not taken. Neither was any of the negotiable paper and securities of the bank—in fact, nothing is missing except the cash.

No one was aware that there was anything wrong at the bank until nearly 2 o'clock, or an hour after the murderous work was done. The perpetrators had ample time to escape, but scores of deputy sheriffs, marshals, police and citizens are scouring this section of the state and the adjoining state of Maine, which, from this city, is just across the Salmon Falls river.

Chinese Going to Cuba.

MONTREAL, April 17.—A party of 91 Chinamen arrived in Montreal last night by the Canadian Pacific railway from China via Vancouver. They will take a steamer for Havana, where they are going to work on the sugar plantations of Cuba. They say that they are going over at the instance of the Spanish government which sent agents to China to induce immigration to Cuba.

General Powell Clayton Ill.

ST. LOUIS, April 17.—General Powell Clayton, the new minister to Mexico, became suddenly ill yesterday. If he is well enough he will be removed to his home in Little Rock, where he will remain until he recuperates. He is suffering from a severe cold, which threatens to develop into pneumonia. All arrangements for the public reception to General Clayton have been cancelled.

Where Longevity Flourishes.

RICHMOND, Ind., April 17.—There met accidentally in the postoffice yesterday seven old residents whose combined ages add up 567 years, an average of 81 years each. A few days ago at the celebration of the 75th birthday of Mrs. Hannah Graves, there were present 12 grandmothers and great grandmothers whose combined ages reached 890 years, an average of nearly 75 years.

Will Make It Hot For the Raiders.

RICHMOND, Ky., April 17.—The tollgate keepers of Madison county are preparing to give mobs a good reception should any more attempts be made to destroy tollgates. N. T. Peckins and Andrew Mink have ordered Winchester repeating rifles from Cincinnati with which to defend themselves. Several gates have been destroyed in the county during the past few weeks.

Incendiarism.

HUNTINGBURG, Ind., April 17.—An incendiary set fire to Moenhau's livery stable, causing \$6,000 loss, with \$1,000 insurance, in the Traders'. The Huntingburg bank building and St. George's hotel, close at hand, were also damaged, the former \$1,000 and the other possibly half that amount, besides which the residence of Jacob Geirs was scorched.

Manufacturer Kills Himself.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 17.—John K. Frisz, a prominent cigar manufacturer, committed suicide in the barn at the rear of his home yesterday by cutting his throat with a razor. Trade had been dull and he had been sick for several weeks. He leaves a wife and two children. He had a brother and sister, George and Katherine Frisz, living at Tipton.

Not Yet Decided.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 17.—A trace in the senatorial battle of the ballots has been declared until next Tuesday. Nearly or quite half of the members have gone home or elsewhere to stay till Tuesday morning. Two ballots were taken yesterday, both resulting the same, as follows: Hunter, 58; Blackburn, 42; Martin, 11; Boyle, 6; Stone, 1.

RECALLS HER TROOPS

New Movement in the Cuban Insurrection.

NOT THOROUGHLY UNDERSTOOD.

General Weyler Says That the Insurrection Has Been Suppressed and the Troops Are Not Needed, but the Cubans Tell a Different Story—Dauntless Dismissed. Other News Relating to Cuba.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—According to information received from trustworthy sources here the withdrawal of at least a part of the great army that Spain has maintained for several years in the island of Cuba will begin when the rainy season sets in within a few days. The initial movement will be the departure of 10,000 troops from Havana for Spain and within a short time after that 30,000 troops, it is understood, will follow.

Whether this statement is to be construed in favor or against the insurgents is not possible now to say. The Spanish insist positively that it means only that little or nothing remains of the insurrection; that Gomez has only about 50 or 100 followers, and that to watch these under the conditions in which the campaign has been necessarily conducted a few thousand men are quite as effective as the army of 180,000 men which has been maintained in Cuba.

The Cuban contingent on the other hand insist that the Spanish financial resources are exhausted and that the troops are to be withdrawn because of lack of money to keep them in service.

RUIZ RIVERA'S CONDITION.

Gangrene Has Set In and There Is Little Hope of His Recovery.

NEW YORK, April 17.—Mrs. Ruiz Rivera, wife of the captured patriot general, has been informed that her husband's condition is serious and that he is thought to be dying. His wounds were neglected until gangrene set in and there is little hope of his recovery.



GENERAL RIVERA.

Mrs. Rivera has only heard from him in a round about way. "Oh, if I could go to him," she says. "If I could go to prison with my husband to nurse him—to care for him. But no, I must stay here and wait and wait, knowing nothing, fearing everything."

DAUNTLESS DISMISSED.

The Filibustering Steamer Had Not Violated the Neutrality Laws.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 17.—The case against the steamer Dauntless, charged with violating the neutrality laws by taking a filibustering expedition to Cuba from No Name Key, on the southern coast of Florida, on Jan. 1, 1897, came up for trial in the United States court yesterday. After the government had submitted its testimony the case was promptly dismissed. No testimony was offered by the defense, and argument was not made by counsel. Judge Locke stated that no evidence had been submitted to show that the Dauntless had been fitted out for the purpose charged, which fact was shown by her return to Jacksonville within a few days of the date charged in the libel.

The court also refused to grant a certificate of probable cause in the case involving a fine that was tried Thursday.

The district attorney reserved the right to appeal upon consultation with the attorney general.

Havana Dispatch.

HAVANA, April 17.—A dispatch from Libertad, province of Pinar del Rio, says that the well known insurgent leader, Julian Zarraga, who is charged with having blown up several trains with dynamite in Pinar del Rio, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities there with five of his followers, all armed.

Chinese Admitted.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Secretary Gage has instructed the customs officer at Pembina, N. D., to admit the 179 Chinese who are en route from China to the Nashville exposition. This action is taken on the statement of the director general that their admission is necessary under concessions made to exhibitors and others.

Congressman Clark Renominated.

KEOKUK, Ia., April 17.—Major O. N. Clark was renominated for congress by the First Missouri district Republican convention at Memphis yesterday.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

R. G. Dun & Company's Weekly Trade Report.

NEW YORK, April 17.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade says: An undeclared war between Greece and Turkey has been more responsible than any other single cause for the changes in business this week. Actual fighting, with facts which seem to make a formal declaration of war by Turkey inevitable, have affected grain markets much and stocks slightly. The progress of Mississippi floods does not change the price of cotton, and settlement of the more important labor difficulties has revived works suspended last week. The temporary decrease in exports and large increase in imports, at New York 20.8 per cent for the month, caused questions about the financial future which have not much influence as yet. The increase in imports, \$9,900,000 or over 15 per cent from last year, and \$17,100,000, or 28.9 per cent from February, if long continued, may embarrass some branches of business, but can hardly exhaust balances remaining from the unprecedented excess of merchandise exports, \$323,881,519, in nine months ending with March.

The wheat market, after its decline of 6 cents last week, was prepared to rise with prospects of European war and increased purchases for export and has risen 4.37 cents since last Friday; exports for the week are very small, and for two weeks but little greater than last year, while corn exports continue over three times last year and for two weeks 6,033,015 bushels, against 1,983,193 last year, the price advancing less than 1 cent. Western receipts of wheat are larger for the week and for two weeks as large as last year, and the government reports indicate a considerable larger yield than that of 1896, which has suffered to meet an extraordinary demand.

Cotton has scarcely changed during the week of unprecedented floods, though this year's crop will be materially diminished unless the water soon subsides. But there are numerous indications that in other parts of the south a large acreage is being planted.

The output of pig iron increases, though 15 furnaces stopped in March as others with larger capacity started, and the weekly production April 1, was 173,279 tons, against 169,988 last year. While 30 per cent below the greatest ever known, the output is 52 per cent larger than Oct. 1, and stocks unsold increased scarcely any, though the largest on record. The demand for nails and wire continues heavy and in spite of large transactions in the past, structural work and rails is still fair, while there is much doing in machinery for export to Russia, Japan and South Africa. But bars are and most other finish products are in narrow demand and Bessemer pig is lower at \$9.00 or less at Pittsburgh with grey forge \$8.65 there and only \$5.75 at Birmingham. Delay in making contracts for lake ore retards demand for products, but hard ore has begun to sell at \$2.40 for chapin. Tinplate makers have agreed upon \$3.50 for full weight Bessemer against \$3.90 for foreign. Lead is unchanged at 2.35 cents and copper at 11 1-2.

The great sale of 19,000 pieces cotton goods was considered satisfactory, as prices averaged but 5 to 8 per cent below the current market, and a better general demand is expected. Print cloths sell slowly without change. Woolen mills are doing a little more, though much machinery is idle, and there is scarcely any buying of qualities recently advanced. Speculation in wool turns largely to foreign, and imports of 45,114 bales the past week and 15,246 the previous week, at Boston alone, have not prevented higher quotations for the better grades of domestic. Sales at three chief markets were 9,606,000 pounds.

Failures for the past week have been 207 in the United States against 223 last year, and 30 in Canada, against 36 last year.

DEATH PENALTY DEALT OUT.

The Prisoner Believed to Be Guilty of Murdering a Number of Women.

PAXTON, Ills., April 17.—The jury in the trial of Frederick Hartman, who murdered Mrs. Weibke Geddes near Sibley, found Hartman guilty and stipulated the death penalty. Hartman was perfectly composed and indifferent. The jury deliberated a few minutes only. On the 2d of last December Mrs. Geddes, the wife of a farm laborer, was found murdered at her home. Her body was suspended by the neck from a doorknob and was terribly bruised, she evidently having been killed by strangulation and blows from a potatoe fork.

Hartman is believed to have killed a number of women in Illinois, Indiana and Michigan, all of whom were found murdered in much the same manner as Mrs. Geddes. One victim was found near Melvin, Ills., and another at Danforth, Ills. Hartman is a farmhand, 40 years old, and formerly lived in Michigan. He lived for some years in Bloomington, Ills. Although long suspected, none of the other murders could be fastened on him.

Shipwrecked Sailors Saved.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—Captain Haavig, Mate Hellison and 19 seamen of the Norwegian ship Senta, who were supposed to have been lost at sea were brought into this port yesterday on the British ship Snowflake from Penarth for Philadelphia. No one on board the Senta was lost but all experienced a distressing time during the 24 hours prior to their rescue.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—The cabinet meeting yesterday lasted an hour and a half, but was devoted entirely to the consideration of routine department matters.

FREIGHT CREW HURT

Explosion of a Locomotive on the Big Four Road.

TWO OF THE THREE MEN WILL DIE

The Disaster Caused by Seams on the Firebox Giving Way—Working a Clever Swindle—Detective Pardoned From the Penitentiary—Willie Haas Declared to Be Sane—Other Ohio State News.

SPRINGFIELD, O., April 17.—Engine of northbound freight train No. 56, on the Big Four, exploded yesterday evening at Osborn.

Engineer John Hutchins of Ivorydale was badly burned on the leg.

Fireman Fagin of Columbus was scalded from head to foot and will die.

Brakeman Doille of Middletown was blown 50 feet against a stump and his head fractured. His injuries are fatal.

The explosion was caused by seams on the firebox giving away. The engine at the time of the explosion was standing on the side track. The injured men were placed in a hospital at Dayton.

Detective Stacy Pardoned.

COLUMBUS, O., April 17.—The state board of pardons at yesterday's session recommended a pardon in the case of Thomas M. Stacy, serving a three-year sentence in the penitentiary for manslaughter, and the governor promptly issued the pardon. Stacy was a railroad detective in the employ of the Pennsylvania company and in trying to disperse a crowd of tramps from the railroad grounds at Stark Siding, just east of Canton, in May, 1896, accidentally killed James Riley, a runaway boy from Geneva, O.

A Clever Swindle.

FREMONT, O., April 17.—A clever swindle is being worked in Fremont and the adjoining country. Several weeks since several women canvassed this community inquiring as to deaths in various families. The same women afterward returned with framed memorial cards, which they claim bereaved families have ordered, and demand exorbitant prices for the same. In several instances it has been necessary to use force to get rid of the women.

Cut Down in His Cell.

LISBON, O., April 17.—James R. Davis, who was awaiting transfer from the county jail to the workhouse, hung himself in his cell in the jail during the night, but was saved in the nick of time by his cell mate. Under the name of Boyle, Davis had been traveling about this section of the state representing himself as a Mason and receiving assistance.

Willie Haas Is Sane.

COLUMBUS, O., April 17.—Dr. Carpenter, former superintendent of the Cleveland state hospital, came here from Cleveland yesterday and made an examination of Willie Haas as an insanity expert. He pronounces the boy murderer perfectly sane. He considers him a degenerate, but he knows right from wrong. This probably settles the boy's fate.

Forger Fleds Guilty.

PIQUA, O., April 17.—Edward Jones, arrested in Dayton and brought here on the alleged charge of forgery, acknowledged his guilt and was bound over to court in the sum of \$500. In default of bail he was sent to jail. The check he forged was for \$10 and was drawn on Hixson Brothers, the local bill posters. Jones has served many terms for misdemeanors.

BELLAIRE, O., April 17.—Mrs. Nancy Nolan, an aged lady of Benwood, W. Va., was run down by a street car, sustaining injuries which will probably prove fatal. She was crossing the track in front of the car, and being slightly deaf, did not hear the ringing of the bell.

Well Known River Man Dead.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 17.—Captain Chris Young, the well known river man, died yesterday. He owned the steamer Paris C. Brown, which burned on the lower Mississippi 10 years ago, and the Rainbow, which burned at the Cincinnati wharf about eight years ago.

Killed by a Switch Engine.

FINDLAY, O., April 17.—James Skelly was struck by a Big Four switch engine yesterday afternoon while he was walking on the track in this city. His leg was cut off close to the body and he died soon after. He was a man of family and resided in East Findlay.

Attacked by a Vicious Horse.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., April 17.—Mrs. Ruth Walker was attacked by a horse yesterday. The animal caught her arm between its teeth, crushing the bones and frightfully tearing the flesh. Before she could be released it was thought she would be killed.

Accidental Killing.

FINDLAY, O., April 17.—Corwin Spittler, a young man aged 18, member of a prominent family, near Van Buren, O., was accidentally killed yesterday by a brother, who was fooling with a revolver, not knowing it was loaded.

A Saltmaker's Fearful Fate.

POMEROY, O., April 17.—Last night William Price, a saltmaker, at Coal Ridge furnace, fell into a vat of hot brine and was fatally scalded. In his struggles to get out he got brine into his eyes and they are destroyed.